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SUBJECT: ILO MARITIME CONFERENCE

REF: LINSENMAYER/PHEIFFER TELECOM JULY 7TH

1. ILO SECRETARIAT (BLANCHARD) PROVIDED FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON SUBJECT CONFERENCE:

A. REPORT ON SUBSTANDARD VESSELS AND TEXT OF DIRECTOR
GENERAL'S REPORT EXPECTED TO BE OUT IN MID AUGUST.
B. JOINT MARITIME COMMISSION WILL MEET DURING MARITIME
CONFERENCE BUT PRECISE DATES HAVE NOT BEEN SET. SOLE
AGENDA ITEM CONCERNS ADJUSTMENT OF MINIMUM WAGE FOR SEAMEN
TO ACCOUNT FOR INFLATION AND EXCHANGE RATE FLUCTUATIONS (MINIMUM WAGE IS QUOTED ENGLISH POINTS AND US DOLLARS).
C. IT IS NOT KNOWN WHETHER OFF-SHORE OIL RIGS AND FISHERMEN
WILL BE DISCUSSED AT CONFERENCE. SHIP OWNERS DO NOT EMPLOY
PEOPLE IN EITHER CATEGORY AND SO FAR HAVE REFUSED TO
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DISCUSS THEM. BLANCHARD SAID OFF-SHORE RIGS COULD

ONLY BE DISCUSSED AT CONFERENCE IF BROUGHT UP IN FORM OF RESOLUTION SUBMITTED 15 WORKING DAYS BEFORE CONVERENCE BEGINS. FISHERMEN COULD BE DISCUSSED UNDER APPROPRIATE AGENDA ITEMS. BLANCHARD BELIEVES HOWEVER THAT SUFFICIENT NUMBER OF GOVERNMENTS WOULD JOIN SHIP OWNERS TO RULE OUT DISCUSSION OF BOTH CATEGORIES. SOME GOVERNMENTS HAVE INDICATED RELUCTANCE BECAUSE FISHERMEN WERE NOT INCLUDED IN QUESTIONNAIRS SUBMITTED TO GOVERNMENTS PRIOR TO PREPARATORY CONFERENCE LAST YEAR. BLANCHARD'S PERSONAL OPINION IS THAT SEAFARERS INTEREST IN DISCUSSING WORKERS ON OFF-SHORE RIGS AND FISHERMEN IS CONNECTED WITH ORGANIZING ACTIVITIES.DALE

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